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TO: Holders of AHCCCS Medical Policy Manuals

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SUBJECT: AHCCCS Medical Policy Manual (AMPM)
Update, July 2006

We have several changes this month.

Chapter 300, Table of Contents, Chapter Overview, Policies 310 and 320

The second paragraph of the Chapter Overview (page 300-1) has been changed slightly to refer to the Federal Emergency Service Program. This is not a substantive change; it is only for clarification for readers.

The section on Prescription Medications/Pharmacy Services has been changed to reflect AHCCCS compliance with the Deficit Reduction Act of 2005 in regard to unused medications (pages 310-42/43). This information was posted on the AHCCCS Web site March 29, 2006, and we are now incorporating it into the AMPM. This is a substantive change, so will carry a revised date of April 1, 2006. This change also required a small pagination change in the Table of Contents.

In March, we updated some information in Policy 320. Pagination was affected and we are now providing the entire Policy 320 to ensure that AMPM holders have correct pages and pagination.

Persons with questions on this coverage may contact Maureen Sharp at (602) 417-4627.

Chapter 1600, Policy 1620

There are two slight conforming changes on page 1620-9 (#10 and 12). These changes bring this aspect of policy in line with the rest of the Chapter. They are substantive changes, so will carry the revised date of July 1, 2006.

Persons with questions on these changes may contact Carol Sanders at (602) 417-4302

TO UPDATE YOUR AMPM:

Chapter 300

Replace Chapter Table of Contents with the revised Table of Contents.

Replace pages 300-1/2 with the revised pages 300-1/2.

Replace pages 310-41 through 310-44 with the revised pages 310-41 through 310-44.

Replace entire Policy 320 with the revised Policy 320.

Chapter 1600

Replace pages 1620-9/10 with the revised pages 1620-9/10.

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